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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No.: 10/656,817
Filed: September 5, 2003
Confirmation No.: 9410
For: **ELASTIC RETAINER STRAP**

Examiner: James R. Brittain
Art Unit: 3677

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AMENDMENT

This paper is responsive to the Office communication mailed September 1, 2004, and the Office Action mailed March 10, 2004. This paper corrects and replaces the Amendment previously filed on June 10, 2004. If any fees are required for the accompanying Amendment, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any such fees to deposit account 09-0528.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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